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Project Site Photos
Memorandums of Onsite
Dated 5 Feb 2007 and 22 Feb 2007



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PROJECT INSPECTION REPORT
FOR DA APPLICATION PROCESSING

PERMIT NO. 200604097

DATE of INSPECTION: 5 Feb 2007

PERMITTEE: The Preserve Marina Owners Association

LOCATION: Haw Branch Embayment, Tennessee River Mile 209.6R, Pickwick Lake, Hardin County, Tennessee

Permit Type: IP ☒ LOP ☐ NWP ☐ Regional GP ☐ Other ☐

Proposed Activity: Proposed Community Docks

Comments: Kenley Austin of TVA and I performed an onsite inspection of the proposed work site on 5 Feb 2007. We needed to inspect the site of the currently proposed work, as shown on Public Notice 07-01. Also, Kenley has been informed that the applicant may propose additional docks within the embayment with dredging. He has not received the application and/or plans for this additional work yet. Thus, we inspected Haw Branch in the area of the proposed work.

ATTACHMENTS: Project Drawings ☐ Photographs ☒

Jurisdictional Determination ☐

Other ☐

Inspector: Amy Robinson
With Kenley Austin of TVA

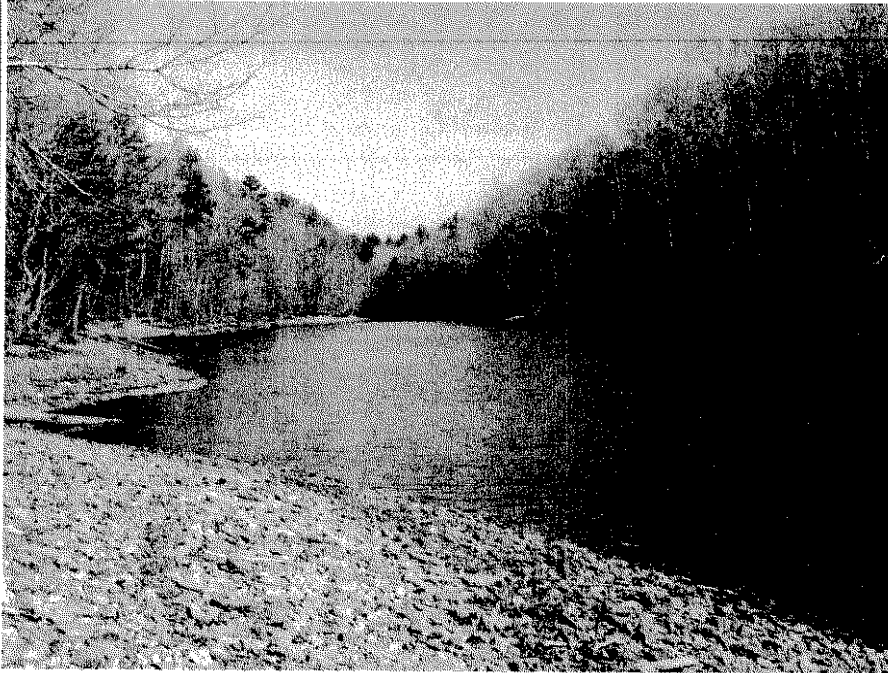
Walking down the hill (which is proposed for development) to Haw Branch:



Looking at the mouth of Haw Branch to Tennessee River:



Looking upstream at Haw Branch - proposed docks located along right descending bank (on left side of the picture):



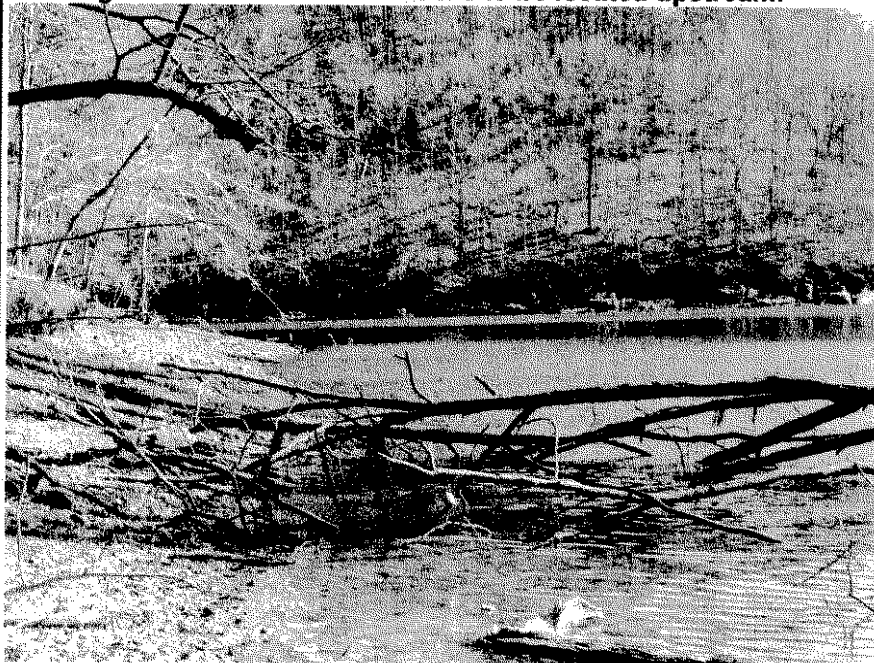
Looking up in embayment of Haw Branch - area proposed for dredging:



Looking at Haw Branch embayment at mouth of Tennessee River:



Looking across Haw Branch – docks to be located upstream:





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DATE of INSPECTION: 22 February 2007

PERMITTEE: The Preserve Marina Owners Association

ATTENDEES: Mr. and Mrs. Tigrett
Mr. and Mrs. Jibeault

LOCATION: Haw Branch Embayment, Tennessee River Mile 209.6R, Pickwick Lake, Hardin County, Tennessee

Permit Type: IP ☒ LOP ☐ NWP ☐ Regional GP ☐ Other ☐

Proposed Activity: Proposed Community Docks

Comments: Mrs. Barbara Tigrett requested an onsite inspection/meeting with TVA and this office concerning the proposed work. Kenley Austin and Stan Davis from TVA and the undersigned performed the onsite inspection by TVA boat on 22 February 2007. Attending for "Friends of Pickwick" were Mr. and Mrs. Tigrett and Mr. and Mrs. Jibeault. The attendees expressed deep concerns about the proposed boat ramp (which was under construction during the onsite) and the proposed boat slips. They are concerned with the location of the work within Haw Branch. They indicated that they would not oppose the facilities to be located in Bluff Creek. They are not directly opposed to the development, they want to keep the Haw Branch cove undeveloped. They questioned how the ramp could be under construction at this point. It was explained that the applicant had received approvals from TVA and the Corps for boat ramp. They also had numerous questions regarding the proposed boat slips and the impacts on water quality, wetlands, water flow, etc. Both agencies (the Corps and TVA) discussed in length their coordination in permit review, permitting procedures, regulations, environmental review, and decision making process, environmental documentation, and the resource impacts. We viewed the proposed boat slip location and measurements were made of the cove by Mr. Tigrett. They were concerned with the boat slips extending over 1/3 distance of the cove. They requested an public notice extension in order to provide additional comments. Mrs. Tigrett showed me a copy of the flyer and postcards (which were pre-addressed and pre-stamped) that she was mailing out to the public to oppose the project. I explained that I would check with my supervisor concerning the public notice extension. We discussed the project, regulations, environmental concerns, and decision making process in great detail with the attendees for approximately 2.5 hours on the lake.

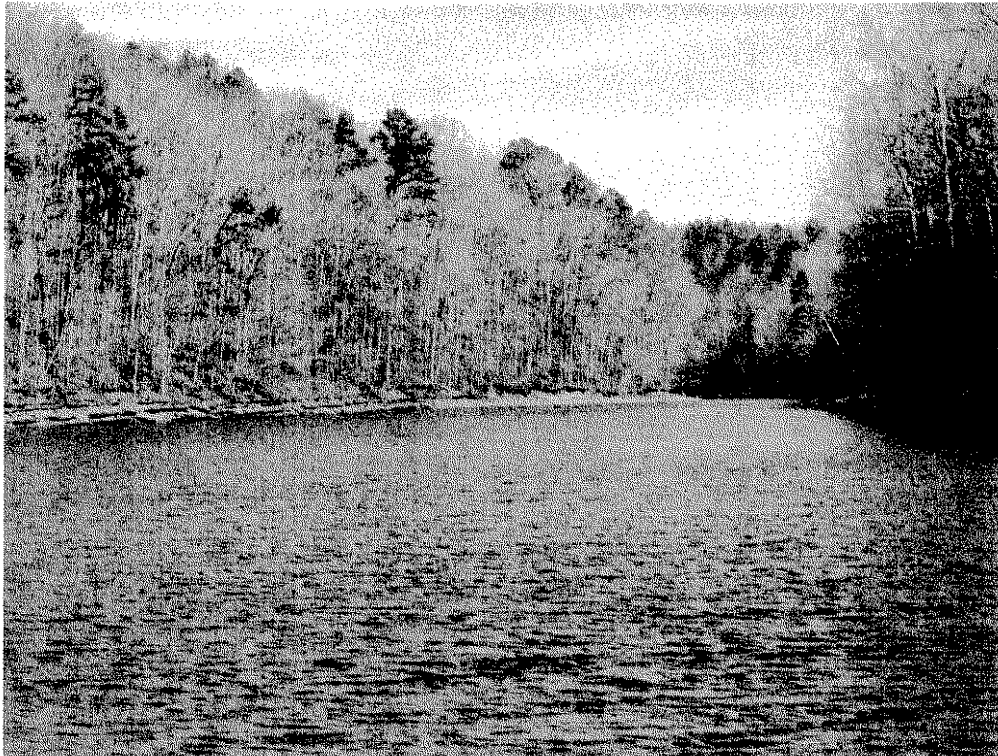
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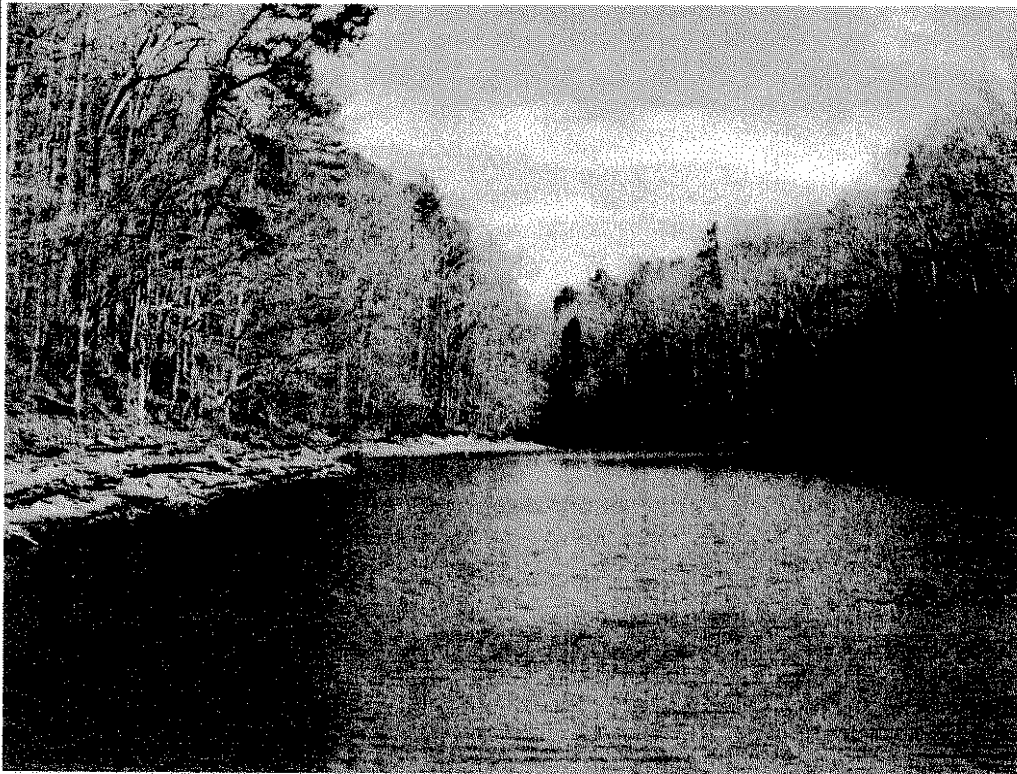
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Inspector: Amy Robinson
With Kenley Austin and Stan Davis of TVA

Looking upstream at Haw Branch - slips would be located on right descending bank:



Looking upstream at Haw Branch - looking at proposed location for
boatslips:



Looking at boat ramp in Haw Branch (under construction):



The Preserve Site Visit

As requested by Barbara Tigrett and Doris Jibeault (Friends of Pickwick) TVA and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) provided a TVA boat on February 22, 2007 to access the Haw Branch community dock proposal site to discuss issues and concerns from the Friends of Pickwick. Attending the meeting were TVA representatives Kenley Austin and Stan Davis, USACE representative Amy Robinson, Friends of Pickwick representatives Mr. and Mrs. Tigrett, Mr. and Mrs. Jibeault.

Upon entering the Haw Branch cove, Friends of Pickwick representatives expressed concerns about possible wrong doing on the part of the permitting agencies. This discussion focused on the boat ramp for The Preserve, which at the time, was under construction. Friends of Pickwick wanted an explanation in regards to how The Preserve could start work when they had requested TVA/USACE to revoke permit. Agency staff explained that projects that qualify for categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) can be reviewed quickly when all staff professionals complete their review in short order.

Friends of Pickwick had numerous questions about agency regulations and procedures, the environmental review and decisionmaking process, specifics of the proposal, and extent of potential resource impacts. We viewed the potentially affected shoreline, discussed lengths and widths of proposed floating community dock, and natural resources in the vicinity of the project. TVA and USACE staff then explained the environmental review process including the types of projects and environmental effects normally associated with water use facilities that qualify for Nationwide Permits or categorical exclusions under TVA procedures implementing the NEPA. Staff reiterated that additional work with staff experts was underway and the previously approved boat ramp would be considered among the assessment of cumulative project impacts. Agency staffs also explained typical circumstances under which a categorical exclusion instead of an environmental assessment would be conducted as well as when an environmental impact statement would likely be prepared. Relatively timeframes for the completions of such reviews was also mentioned.

Generally, Friends of Pickwick appeared to understand agency staff explanations, but still questioned them. Among other complaints, they still wanted an extension of the public notice comment period, a public hearing; expressed disagreement over the dimensions of the docks and whether they met agency guidelines, and disagreed with the nature and severity of potential resources impacts, e.g. water quality, wetlands, endangered species, etc. Agency staff expressed appreciation for Friends of Pickwick's willingness to get involved and pledged to work with them through the remainder of the process.

